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R. G. E.—We *do* affix stamps to the ones forwarded to "Aix La Chapelle." Others reach European cities, and we cannot understand why those we forward at the same time by your order fail in reaching you.—Were not the files received in December?

B. S. S.—Too lengthy—and portraying a desire to adorn and embellish. Copy the style of INDEX, *Nevada*. We prefer simplicity of style in narrating items. Give the *gist* and not A B and C details.

E. G.—You may rest assured we shall not reveal the name of the "young authoress." No, not even in the instance of the last communication.

MR. G.—*Portland.*—The Editor being absent from the city, delayed our reply. All has now been attended to, however. Refer you to mail letter.

LEVITICUS.—We will defer replying, inasmuch as such will be embodied in an article that *will* appear in No. 15 or 16.

G. W. W.—*Nevada.*—We replied to yours of the 8th, by mail, it reaching us too late for an answer in this column.

A. W.—*Rough and Ready.*—Duplicate numbers of those that miscarried were forwarded by Express the first opportunity.

NEBUCHADNAZZAR.—A pretty poem, truly.—It *shall* "have its turn."

SCHOOL GIRL.—"*May.*"—You "*may*" call during the *afternoon*—certainly, you *may!*

MANILAUS.—It *is* impossible! Please leave your name.

INVESTIGATOR.—Your questions are rather abstruse. Please call.

MAHOMMEDANISM.—It is a small volume. We can obtain it for you, if you desire.

M. T.—Indeed! for the past three months we have been expecting to hear from you.

POETRY.

Would I Were a Bird.

How great is my passion to rove,
Nay, even from fair one to fair;
And had I the wings of a dove,
How soon would I mount into air!
Sweet bird, how I envy thy flight,
So blue and so balmy's the sky,
That had I the wings, with delight
How soon would I stretch them and fly.

Instructed in memory's song,
I'd hie me away to the plains,
Then mix with a pastoral throng,
And give them a nightingale's strains.
Then yonder lone hermit to cheer,
On charity's errand I'd go,
I love him, for he has a tear,
If sympathy bids it to flow.

Then some rural party I'd join,
And snugly ensconced in the shade,
Would give them a song to their wine,
Whilst they drink to some favorite maid.
Should I meet with some hero of Gaul,
Compelled as an exile to roam,
I've a tong that can sweetly recall
The thoughts of his country and home.

And then through the air I would glide,
And perch on yon desolate towers,
My pinions of course I would hide,
For captives might envy my powers.
And then with the best of my strains
I would their dull moments beguile,
Till lost to their prison and chains,
They welcome their guest with a smile.

And then if perchance I should see
Some gothic, unpopular king,
On the olive, Minerva's own tree,
I'd take to my station and sing.
The captive again would I seek,
Who sighs, but in vain, for release,
And then, with a branch in my peak,
Would bring him an emblem of peace.

The base and unworthy to shun,
Then eastwards I'd hurry my flight,
Nor stop, till I found where the sun,
First opens the flood-gates of light.
But vain are the wings of a dove,
Wherever I wander I see
The fowler is watchful, and Love
Still spreads his devices for me.

The Lily.

We are lilies fair,
The flower of virgin light;
Nature held us forth and said,
"Lo! my thoughts of white."

Ever since then, angels,
Hold us in their hands;
You may see them where they take
In pictures their sweet stands.

Like the garden's angels
Also do we seem,
And not the less for being crowned
Within a golden dream.

Could you see around us
The enamored air,
You would think it pale with bliss
To hold a thing so fair.

CALIFORNIA CONTRIBUTION.

[ORIGINAL.]

Esther De Vries; Or, The Gem of the Occident.

CHAPTER VII.

THE silence that had thus ensued was suddenly broken by Vivian interrogating De Leon as to how soon he contemplated leaving. Many were the questions asked and fully answered by the latter before they reached home. Night had followed the calm twilight, and the dark clouds were driving athwart the sky, obscuring the rays of the bright luminary towards which they had, a short time since, so intuitively gazed.

Vivian was roused from his slumber about midnight by the peals of thunder and the vivid flashes of lightning, which did not intimdate the courageous heart of this pure child of nature; but, seeking the side of De Leon, he asked:

"Father, has it ever before thundered so heavily?"

"Yes, my son, often, but while you were very young; perhaps you do not remember it or it had not then the direful sound that it now has. Is Vivian afraid of the storm?"

"Afraid father!" Afraid! And what has Vivian to fear while by thy side? If it strikes, I *know* it will spare us both, if not I pray that, at least, we may meet its withering fire together. Hear that, father, did you not feel a shock?"

"No, my son; I think you imagine it."

Vivian may have felt a slight jar from the shaking of the flooring; but, be that as it may, his soul appeared to be cognizant of the occurrence of the next few minutes; for, taking hold of the hand of De Leon and pressing it between his own and then kissing it, he remarked:

"Father, will the storm last long? Does it generally extend through the night?—There! that was awful! But how sublime! Why, father, I could see the fork as it ran through the sky——"

"Vivian! Vivian! My boy! my boy!—Speak to me! Oh, speak; art thou hurt?—Where? where? And the strong, lion-hearted De Leon trembled and quivered from head to foot. The lightning had struck a tree immediately in front of the house, the shock of which, combined with the awful sublimity of the scene, had completely deprived Vivian, for the moment, of the power of utterance, though he heard each word that De Leon had uttered, and, soon recovering his consciousness, he exclaimed:

"Vivian—thy Vivian—is safe. Why, father, *you* frighten your boy—not the storm. No, I fear it not—I love it; for, behold! the Ruler of us all is *above*, and, methinks, he speaks! Father, He says:

'Part not from thy son. The storms of life, without thee, he is unfitted *yet* to bear. The thunder and lightning have caused him to seek thy side, not in fear, sir, but to hear and see it with thee.' Vivian is not superstitious; but, father, promise that I shall accompany thee in thy voyage, and"—

"Yes, Vivian, we go together, and here I re-iterate the promise made some hours ago.—We will not separate 'until He whose refulgence and power,' even now so vividly shown to us, call one or both to that eternal home, where peace and perpetual rest reign forever—yes, *forever*."

Vivian sank upon the couch of his father, and long before the storm had abated, was sleeping calmly by the side of one whose love for this boy is beyond description; for how shall we express it? Parental it could not be.—Brotherly? *Brotherly?* Well, doubtless it was blended with that firm protection, but we can not, *indeed*, we cannot explain, and, therefore must crave indulgence.

Early the following morning De Leon commenced the necessary preparations and arrangements for their departure. This occupied some weeks. On the 31st Dec., 1852, they embarked on the *Queen of Clippers* for the town of San Francisco, California, at which place they arrived on the 12th of January, 1853.

We will pass over the delight experienced by Vivian during the passage, and the enjoyment of beholding San Francisco. Suffice to say, De Leon showed him everything that would tend to improve the precocious mind and develop the intellectual qualifications of his *protege*. They received considerable attention, and the many letters of introduction with which De Leon was favored, enabled them to spend their evenings among the first families in the place. The history of Vivian soon become known, and served to add additional interest and attention on the part of all with whom he became acquainted.

He was desirous of seeing the *Mines* which, at that time, were the subject of general discussion; but as De Leon promised he should have an opportunity before returning to Honolulu, he was content.

After the lapse of two months, De Leon, in the meantime, having purchased and shipped all the commodities necessary to keep up their stock at the Islands, he became desirous of leaving Vivian in San Francisco, thinking that he would be content if he could convince him of the utility of such a course, in enabling him to acquire a knowledge of the country and the American character. Vivian would not consent, and, on the 5th of March they were on board the *Winfield Scott*, on the way to Panama.

CHAPTER VIII.

'TWAS scarcely daylight on the 6th of March, when Vivion arose, and, seeking the deck of the steamer, took from his pocket a small volume, and, seating himself, *continued* its perusal.

Prior to leaving San Francisco, he had become (and why not?) deeply interested in a young girl of about sixteen. She was a New Yorker, and had added several letters of introduction to the ones already given Vivian by her father, and, during the last fortnight, many were the hours passed together, during

which Eugenie had expatiated in glowing terms of her fair cousins and school-mates of New York. The book that Vivian was perusing, was entitled "Scenes in the Metropolis," and having been given to him a few hours prior to bidding "Farewell," he had only had an opportunity, of reading sufficient to become interested to that extent, which prompted him immediately on awaking the following morning, to arise and continue its pages. He had not been thus engaged for more than an hour, 'ere De Leon approached, and, rivetting his gaze upon him, asked, what he was thus interested in, so early in the morning.

"I am reading, sir, all about the great city we are soon to be in," and, handing the volume to his father, he said, "Just read this page, if you please, it is so interesting."

De Leon glanced at it for a minute or two, and, replacing it into the hands of Vivian, quickly responded, "My son, it *may* give you a correct idea of the churches, stores, wharves or landing of the boats, rail-road depots, and such sights which you never have seen, but if this page is a criterion of its contents, I fear, Vivian, you will truly find, that "all is not gold that glitters." This shining recital of happiness, ease, and contentment exists *not* to the extent here implied; but read on, I'll not disturb you," and, walking away, to himself he said, "It will prove a lasting example of the folly, in which he is apt to believe,—these adornments of scenes and places as portrayed in such fictitious volumes."

"I will be in the cabin," replied De Leon in answer to Vivian's question, as he was walking away, and, turning back, exclaimed, "Do not become so interested, as to forget your breakfast."

"I shall have too good an appetite 'ere long, not to be aware of the sound of the bell (gong,)" and thus they parted.

Vivian continued reading, and became deeply interested, often scanning the same page over twice. At about seven o'clock he was much annoyed by passengers coming on deck, chatting about frivolous matters, passing foolish jokes, some boys cutting capers, and tieing strings across the deck. Our youth became impatient, and finally arose determined to retire, when an elderly gentleman and two daughters made their appearance, and he resumed his seat. Mr. Ewing seated his daughters immediately next to Vivian, and left them, with the remark, "Harriet, pin the shawl, my Love, though your throat is better this morning, is it not?"

"Slightly better, thank you," she replied.

Vivian could not avoid gazing at this lovely young lady. She was certainly not more than sixteen, delicately formed, yet possessed a perfect neck and shoulders, aquiline features, a complexion clear red and white, blue eyes, pretty lips, and perfect teeth. Georgianna was the younger one, being only fourteen, and, though not as pretty as Harriet, was a very interesting girl. Vivian asked himself, if he could, without infringing upon the rules of etiquette, accost these young girls, and came to the conclusion, that he would be more surely right, by awaiting the volition of circumstances, whereby one or both would have to give utterance to a remark, to which he could readily respond. He had not long to, wait, before Harriet exclaimed, "I wonder what time it is, Georgey."

"It lacks but a few minutes of eight," said Vivian, taking out his watch, and bowing with a smile, at once distant though respectful and courteous.

Then followed a pause; neither Harriet nor Georgey made a remark until noticing the approach of Mr. Ewing, Harriet arose and, beckoning him to her side, said, "Father what do you think, I left the book at Aunt Mary's, which she gave me."

"Which one, my love," said Mr. Ewing.

"What was it called, Georgey?

"Scenes in the Metropolis," she replied.

"This is not as unfortunate as you may be inclined to imagine," immediately spoke Vivian; for if you will permit a stranger to have the pleasure of placing at your disposal a copy of the little volume you have mentioned, *here it is*, and Harriet, glancing at her Pa who smilingly nodded in token of acquiescence, she took it from his hand, with "Thank you, sir." "I had commenced it, 'ere leaving and, as we are destined for New York, I should like to read it, before arriving there."

The bell rang—behold the breakfast.

CHAPTER IX.

Shall we trespass upon the patience of the reader by a description of the well-known scene that a breakfast table presents, aboard an ocean steamer? We have too much of greater interest to narrate, and will therefore only remark that, near the head of the table, we perceive Mr. Ewing and his daughters, and on the opposite side, yes! almost a perfect "vis a vis," were De Leon and Vivian. Nothing transpired beyond the usual monotonous, sound of knives and forks, cups and plates, accompanied, now and then, by loud words emanating from some rude and uneducated person such as "Look here waiter!" or "I told you, waiter, to *fetch* me *some e'ere* of that meat that is *yonder*.

"Vivian! have you nearly finished the volume you were so eagerly perusing?"

"Yes sir! Yes sir! that is, I have only—— there *are* a few pages yet remaining which I have not read," he answered, evidently confused, fearing perhaps that Miss Harriet would be embarrassed, were she to be thus made aware, that he had given her an opportunity of reading it, 'ere he had done so.

Miss Harriet, hearing the remarks and noticing Vivian's confusion, blushed and, turning to her sister, said, "Georgey! I shall have to finish "The Gentleman of the Old School," this morning, so that you can have immediately something *good* to read. Indeed, you need not smile, it just suits your taste. What? Ah! no, there is very *little love* about it. No' no! 'tis by James. Why! do you imagine, none but a lady writer would endeavor to display her talents upon the theme: "*A Gentleman?*"

A slight smile followed by a merry laugh, was all that "Georgey" audibly expressed. In fact, these young girls were young ladies in the refined acceptation of the term, and scarcely did they speak above a *merely* audible tone of voice, during the entire meal.

"Can I trespass upon you, sir, to pass me *that* spoon," said De Leon to Mr. Ewing, who, with a courteous and graceful nod or bow, immediately responded to the request, and stamped him, in our estimation, as "A Gentleman of the Old School."

"Surely! I have met that face often—yes, yes! but where—no! not in San Francisco, or I would remember time and place more distinctly." Thus soliloquized De Leon, as he met the glance of Ewing who also seemed to have similar thoughts.

"Will you assist me to a small piece of the salmon, father, asked Georgey;" but evidently he did not hear his daughter's request. Vivian immediately did so, remarking, "If you will permit me to have that pleasure."

"Oh, thank you, sir: but, really, I fear it is intruding upon you."

"Do you not feel inclined to partake of the salmon," said Vivian, turning towards Miss Harriet, and thus suddenly (thereby displaying a proper degree of tact) interrupting Georgey in an apology which evidently she could not have well completed.

"I am obliged to you for your consideration, but I scarcely *ever* eat it, and, to be candid, relish but moderately any thing that is prepared on a steamer—

"My sister is rather too imaginative, with regard to such matters to enjoy a meal while travelling."

"No doubt you are correct, Georgey," was the assenting response (uttered with a pleasant smile) from Harriet. "Father! how will you pass the time, to day?"

"Well, really Vivian, that is in one sense difficult to say, that is, if you are anxious to be pre-informed of the details, but if you imagine, it will cost me any effort, I need only assure you, pleasantly enough, if *you*, my son, cause me to see time not hang wearily with thee and"—

"Oh, do not have any care, as to *that*, sir; a month's experience at sea, *for the first time in my life*, is novelty—sufficient to engross my thoughts and attention, to a degree so entertaining, and instructive, that doubtless I shall regret its cessation upon our arrival at New York and—"What is the matter?" anxiously he asked. Father, you are not well, you"—

"Perfectly well, Vivian, that is to say, I am now, though a moment ago, a chill appeared to pervade my entire frame. I will repair to our room and replace this, with a warmer coat, excuse me, my son, if you please."

"Wait one instant, dear father, Vivian will go with you. I am"—

"No, no, you have not finished. join me, when you are through, but not now.

The stout heart, the sensitive and retentive mind of De Leon had been suddenly touched by the innocent expression, "a month's experience at sea, for the first time in his life," as uttered by Vivian a few moments ago. Little did he think, that De Leon *could not forget* the history of his adopted son, the *storm*, the *foundering* of the ship, the separation *forever* between Vivian and his *parents*, the *care* of the infant, from that time till now, a period of nearly eighteen years,—for he had studiously avoided mentioning these things except closely questioned (occasionally) by his son—but vividly did they exist in De Leon's mind at times, that Vivian could not dream of, nor did he even now divine the *slightest shade* of the *real* cause of the sensation described.

Harriet and Georgey arose, and, accompanied by their father, were soon upon deck. Vivian *followed*, and Harriet, turning slightly towards him, remarked to her sister, "Georgey you can have "The Gentleman of the Old School." I will read the book so considerately placed at my disposal, the better to be enabled to return it shortly."

"You will not, I beg, deviate from your intention to peruse some other book 'ere reading this, merely to restore it to"—

"It makes not the material difference to me, that it does to many, the leaving off the perusal of one volume and commencing or reading another, even at the same time. We have both often done so,—sister, have we not?"—said Harriet, thus forbidding (while interrupting) him offering any further remarks upon the matter.

"Pa, dear Pa! please take me to the wheel house, I have never been near the pilot's compass, while the ship was in motion."

"There is really nothing to see, Georgey; but I will with pleasure, come along! are *you* anxious to go, Harriet?"

"No, father, thank you; I've wheeled myself comfortably in this arm chair, and as I have an interesting book—so aunt assured me—I shall not *probably* care to *wheel* myself towards any other part of the steamer yet awhile."

"Oh, you had better come," said Georgey.

"Do you wish to "*wheedle*" me into *such* curiosity?"

"No, sister! I have got in reserve something that I do intend to *coax* you to accede to."

"With all my heart, only I pray, you will not begin immediately on returning hither."

"Will I be desiring too much of a sacrifice of your time, sir, by begging you to remain with my daughter, at least until we return," atked Mr. Ewing.

"There is nothing that precludes my granting the request, and with much pleasure sir, being as a stranger thus *honored* by a *father*."

Mr. Ewing bowed and, extending his hand in that indescribable manner, which at once expressed "Not at all sir," he walked away with Georgey.

"Have you ever been in New York," asked Harriet.

"No, Miss, I have resided at Honolulu since my childhood," answered Vivian.

"Indeed!", opening (carelessly) the book. Vivian at once remarked:

"Do not, I pray, hesitate in reading the book."

"Time enough; the trip will afford ample opportunities at moments, that I could not have this pleasure."

"You are all alike. I discover that more and more each day. I mean your sex; for, although anxious to read, you would not for the world do so, merely because you *fear*, it might possibly be viewed as displaying a lack of good taste and"—

"So you think all are alike, do you?" interrupted Harriet, "and you have not yet perceived any material or notable difference between one or the other of my sex?"

"No difference in the particular ideas of etiquette, as evinced in matters similar to those of which we were speaking."

"Ah, I *now* understand what particular you had reference to; for I must confess I could not reconcile to my mind how, possibly, you or any young man of your age, and, I presume advantages," said Harriet, with a winning smile and coquettish bow, "could be sincere if expressing the belief, or opinion, even, that we are all the same; while, to be candid, I think it would be almost an impossibility to find any two approximating even similarity."

"You are unquestionably correct—or, at least, in my humble opinion—or rather I am, perhaps, too inexperienced *practically* to offer such. I think, however, from what I have noticed--and I *did* study many of my lady friends while in San Francisco—there are no two alike—not even sisters; and, apropos, if I may be so bold and presume upon your candor, (which, by-the-bye, I must preface by pleading guilty to a proneness of this fault—if fault it is) are you"——

"Well, I've seen the wheel and the chain, the compass, felt the rain! and satisfied my curiosity, smiled at the pilot's pomposity! and many day shall dine, before seeking to divine the simplicity of such, for all future time.—

"Georgy, Georgy, do not, I *pray*, such foolish words *say*; nor thus give *way* so early in the *day* to uttering words that *chime* merely to effect a *rhyme*. Your poetry should come to an *end*, lest, if heard by your pilot *friend*, his pride or position it might *offend*."

Thus quickly, and without hesitation did Harriet, by these words interrupt and cause Georgy to exclaim:

"Bravo! *pretty* good for *you*, that dislikes any poetry, even if far superior to my extempore effusions, *ahem!*"

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

TOKAY WINE.—This delicious wine is the product of the district around the town of that name, called the *Submontine*, or the *Hegyalla*, which extends over a space of about twenty English miles. Throughout the whole of this tract it is the custom to collect the grapes which have been dry and sweet, like raisins, whilst hanging on the trees. They are gathered one by one; and it is from them alone that the prime Tokay, or as it is termed *Tokay Ausbruch*, is prepared. These grapes are put together in a cask, in the bottom of which holes are bored to let that portion of the juice escape which will run from them without any preasure. This, which is called Tokay essence, is generally very small in quantity, and very highly prized. To the remaining mass is then added an equal quantity of good wine, which is allowed to stand for twenty-four hours, and is then strained. This juice, without further preparation, becomes the far-famed wine of Tokay, which is difficult to be obtained, even at the highest prices. Such are the richness and body of Tokay, that it keeps to any age, and improves by the time.

THE COLOSSUS OF RHODES.—This enormous building has justly been classed among the wonders of ancient architecture. It was a vast structure of brass, or statuary metal, erected in honor of Apollo, or the sun, the tutelar god of the island, whose stride was 50 feet asunder, each foot being placed on a rock at this distance from each other, and which bounded the entrance into the haven. Its height, according to Pliny, was not less than 105 feet, or 70 cubits; and hence ships of considerable burden were capable of sailing between its legs. It is said to have been erected by the Rhodians, with the money produced by the sale of engines of war which Demetrius Poliorcetes employed in fruitlessly besieging the city for a twelvemonth, and which he gave to them upon his reconciliation. Pliny affirms that it was commenced by Chares of Lindus, a disciple of Lysippus, and finished upon his death by Laches of the same town. It was thrown down by an earthquake 60 years after its completion.

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We are regularly receiving and keep on hand the largest stock in the City, and sell at the
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AGENCY OF LONGWORTH'S WINES.
FINE OLD BRANDY
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Importers of and Dealers in
Wines and Liquors,
Southwest Corner California and Front-streets.
Orders from the country carefully and strictly attended to, and those who favor us may depend upon the quality sent invariably being such as ordered. feb26-3m

JOSEPH KIRNAN,
Having purchased the well-known and popular Saloon o
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HAS, AFTER MAKING SOME DESIRABLE alterations, RE-OPENED the above Saloon, where his friends and the public will find him prepared to supply his Customers with the best Wines, Liquors, &c. Also, all the Beverages of the season, at reduced prices.
It is the determination of the proprietor to keep a House that cannot be excelled, as to its business arrangements and the character of the articles offered to his guests. By those who know his long experience in the best Saloons, no assurances will be required. To all others, he simply says—
CALL AND JUDGE FOR YOURSELVES.
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BARRY & PATTEN,
Wholesale and Retail Dealers in
WINES AND LIQUORS,
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PATTEN'S EXCHANGE.
Wholesale and Retail Dealer in
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Sansome Street, Next the American Theatre.
N. B. No adulteration. Call and judge for yourself.
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Y. ABRAHAM,
BUTCHER.
Jackson st., between Kearny and Dupont
In the Old Pennsylvanian Engine House.
SAN FRANCISCO,
Recommends to his former Customers and the public his assortment of PRIME MEAT.
Orders forwarded to any part of the City with the greatest punctuality. feb27

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SUCCESSOR TO
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Second St. between Mission and Minnie Streets.
HAVE ALWAYS ON HAND A LARGE AN excellent assortment of
BEEF, MUTTON, AND VEAL,
OF a quality that cannot fail to recommend them to those who once honored him with their confidence.
They also have on hand home cured *SMOKED AND SALT BEEF, TONGUES, AND SAUSSAGES* of all kinds.
☞ They employ MR. ISAAC GOLDSMITH, as שוחט
N. B Orders to any parts of the city will be most punctually attended to on the shortest notice.

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GOOSE FAT.
LEOPOLD ENGLANDER, 92 California street, has imported direct from Germany an excellent quality GOOSE FAT, which he sells at the moderate price of $1 per pound.
Families and dealers in the city and country will be served with this favorite commodity on the shortest notice. jan22-tf

S. LEVI,
No. 5 Washington Market, San Francisco, keeps constantly on hand the kinds of
Beef, Veal, Mutton, &c.,
At the Lowest Rates.
All Marketing sent to any part of the city free of charge and at the shortest notice.
N. B. J. Goldsmith is the *Shochet*. feb12-G&V4m

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S. LEVI.
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M. BECK.
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March 1st, 1858.

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IMPORTER AND DEALER IN
Ladies', Misses', Gents', Boys' and Childrens'
BOOTS, SHOES AND BROGANS,
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To our friends in the country and in the Atlantic States.

St. NICHOLAS HOTEL.
Corner of Sansome and Commercial Streets.
THE UNDERSIGNED (WELL KNOWN FOR THEIR experience,) have fitted up this splendid building with especial regard to the comfort and convenience of both transient and permanent Boarders and Lodgers.
The St. Nicholas is the permanent residence of many Families, to whom it has become endeared as a HOME; consequently travellers stopping at this house are favored with the pleasures of good society—a desideratum seldom found in a hotel.
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A coach will always be in attendance to convey guests to and from the boats.
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CORNER OF
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SAN FRANCISCO.
BACHMAN & ELSASSER,
PROPRIETORS.

Removal.
MRS. STODOLE, Private Boarding and Lodging House, has removed from Sansome to 122 Commercial-st., between Montgomery and Leidsdorf.
Mrs. Stodole will be happy to accommodate her customers as heretofore. feb12-G1m

Private Boarding.
No. 18 Sansome Street, Opposite the Rassette House.
THE undersigned is prepared to accommodate her friends with suitable Rooms, with or without Board.—Gentlemen can partake of Dinner only if it is preferred.
feb12-3m MRS. S. L. MOISE.

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ALEXANDER'S PRIVATE BOARDING HOUSE,
No. 14, Sansome street, opposite the Rassette House.
THE PROPRIETOR begs leave to inform his friends and the public that he has recently opened the above House, formerly kept by Mr. Goldsmith. The House has undergone a thorough renovation, and no pains will be spared to make it a comfortable HOME to those who will favor him with their patronage.
Mr. A. being too well known among the commercial community, there is no need for any comment as regards the table. je26

Steckler's Exchange.
66 Sansome-street, between California and Pine.

Private Boarding.
The Proprietor begs leave to inform his friends and the public that he has recently opened the above House, and renovated the same throughout. No pains will be spared to render this Establishment a complete home to those who will honor him with their patronage.
Mr. S. and Lady being well known, there is no need for comments as to the domestic comfort of the Boarders being invariably considered. feb1g.G3m

Private Boarding.
122 Commercial Street.
The undersigned is prepared to accommodate her friends with suitable BOARDING AND LODGING.
N. B. Thankful for the patronage of the past she hopes, by her endeavors and attention to the comfort of her Boarders to merit a continuance for the future.
marlg.tf MRS. STODOLE.

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must be cleared from this date to the first of April, on account of the building being torn down.
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Who will furnish Families, Boarding Houses, and Hotels with all articles usually sold in a Bakery and Confectionary Store, of a superior quality, on reasonable terms, and at the shortest notice.
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Chebrath Bikur Cholim Ukodsha.
This Society will hold its Regular Meetings at the Ha of the Sons of Temperance, on Washington-street, between Montgomery and Sansome, every second Sunday in each month, at 7 o'clock, P. M., precisely.
L. KING, President.
feb5-tf SIMON CRANER, Secretary.

The Weekly Cleaner,

FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 1858, (5618.)

Religious Instruction.

WHY SHOULD I PAY FOR OTHERS?

"Why should I pay for others?" such is often the reply of even better men when solicited to contribute towards the support of a common cause, which may not immediately concern every single member of that body. The demurrers measure every thing by themselves, and will not contribute towards certain wants because they are not directly benefitted, they will not consider that, as soon as the *want* is acknowledged by the community, it becomes the duty of every member to contribute towards it.

"Why should I pay for others?" will the citizen, who has no property *at stake*, say, if called on to contribute towards the support of a fire department of the city.

"Why should I pay towards the support of city water-works?" says the man who has a well on his own premises.

Why should I pay to light the streets?" says he who never walks by their light.

"Why pay to schools?" says the rich man who has no children to send to such.

"Why pay to churches?" says the man who does not believe in the dogma of the church.

"*Why not pay towards the religious instruction of the children of your denomination?* Why pay for others?" is the reply of a man who, having no children of his own, thinks it unnecessary to pay for others.

We think all these arguments erroneous and ruinous: for as soon as the want is that of the community, every individual is obliged to contribute towards the alleviation; since no community can suffer without more or less affecting every member thereof. The fire that consumes the city impoverishes your neighbors and every one is more or less affected. The water-works that furnish wholesome water to your city, prevents disease or mortality. The gas-works that light your streets, prevent your fellow citizens from harm, protect their property from robbery, give support to miners, workmen, and artists. The church which you never visit, does more towards the happiness of your citizens, the harmony of families, the civilisation of the State, than all your places of pleasure and resort, than all your frivolous literature, your ruinous luxury, and your refrigerant dim-eyed philosophy.

But it is the support of the religious school in whose favor we wish to speak: you are called upon to contribute towards her support, and you plead, "Why should I pay for others?" True, you have no children, but you have duties, and you, being exempt from the tax of supplying them with food and raiment (except in extraordinary cases), ought to think yourself honored and priviledged to be able to furnish *mental* nourishment for the rising generation, and those of *your faith*.

Now to the objections. You object, because parents alone ought to pay. So they ought and do, unless their means are so scanty that they have hard work to provide food and raiment for them. If you are a religious man, such ought to prompt you to assist in the good cause. if a charitable man, you ought to satisfy the demands of charity; if a man of honor, you ought largely to aid in the promoting your own honor,—for liberality is honorable, while avarice is contemptible—and that of your people.

But you are apt to say, "Let firstly parents do *their* duty, and we shall make up the deficit; but as long as parents who are able will not contribute their share, we will not." Such objections are meagre for the more parents (from ignorance and baseness) neglect their sacred duty, the more their poor children are to be pitied, lest they prove hereafter as ignorant or as vicious as their degraded parents—and where you, in the prime of your life, are called upon to pay a penny to the school fund, you will have to pay, in your more advanced age, towards the support of hospitals and jails. And where you now can show yourself honorable in support of the honor of your nation and creed, by contributing towards the instruction of a number of children, you will be called upon to pay gold to hire corrupt lawyers, to bribe judges—to liberate from the gallows *one depraved murderer*. The court may *clear* him, but public opinion will not be bribed by the seductive speeches of an attorney—and any misdemeanor committed by the lowest of your people, reflects on the highest—any crime perpetrated by the former, tarnishes the most elect. And the history of every nation shows that, with the decay of religion, interlaxity of morals, depravity of mind, and ruin of souls ensue. And what man can think himself exempt from cultivating in himself the feelings of charity and of honor, by thus aiding to snatch children from neglectful parents, from a degraded and ignorant condition? What man can stand idle, when the question is to place his denomination on an equality with those around him, to restore it to honor, and guard it against ignominy and reproach? The baseness of your neighbor, ought to stimulate you the more, his neglect of duty, open for you a door to fulfil your duty, his dishonor should portray more brilliantly your sense of honor. "Do not throw yourself into the dirt, because your neighbor wallows in the mire." "Rise, and raise;" lend, spend and mend—ask not what others are, but try to be what *you ought* to be—Never say with Cain, "Am I the keeper of my brother?" Never, when your honor or the reputation of your people is at stake, say: "Why should I pay for others?" Aid to develop the golden fruits of education! Never throw a heavier burden on him that is already heavily laden. And if the State thinks it a duty to educate her citizens, how much more is it the duty of the church. Let the noble and generous minded set the example, and our honor shall be saved.

On the Faith of a Christian.

A Jewish member of the parliament in England, elected, if we are not mistaken, seven times in succession, by the suffrage of the respectable members of the metropolis, cannot have the seat in the house, because he conscientiously dare not make the necessary oath, which closes with the words "*by the faith of a Christian.*" We will not pass any encomia on the member elect, for his ostensible constrncy and consistency, nor shall we repeat the reproaches made to number of members who professedly and practically denied the Christian *faith*, and were, indeed, not Christians, except by the transference of that name to Gentiles in general who descended from such. Yet, the men who, under the latter circumstances scrupled not to take the oath, were allowed to take their seats, and such oath was not considered a perjury. The only palliation that can be claimed by these members, was the transference just noticed.

It is rather singular that we do not see in any writings on this subject, which has occupied "pens" for more than twenty years, that the name "Christians" does not at all belong to the believers in "Jesus," except by transference, that the name Christian is only applicable to the followers of Jesus, in the same sense, as "Israel," or "Judah" is, which *they do* apply by interpreting these names, to mean the spiritual Israel and Judah—how far this is consistent with some exegetics, and with the tenor of the texts and the spirit of the Bible, we cannot enter upon here; we only state that in the Bible, i. e. in that portion called the Old Testament, the Jews are designated by the name *Christians*. They are called by that name, and the followers of Jesus transferred it upon themselves in the same way as they did the name "Israel," and the name "Judah," and a number of others.

The word "Christian" is derived from the Greek *chrestos* "annointed," from the verb *chryseo* "to annoint. *Chrestos*, annointed, is nothing but the Greek translation of the Hebrew *Messiah*, "annointed." And though we in no place of the Bible find this name applied to any person whom popular Jewish and Christian theology consider to be predicted by the Hebrew prophets, though the promised helper or restorer of Israel is anywhere called in the Bible "Messiah" [more correct *Mashee-ah.*] The descendants of the patriarchs, the Jews are actually called *Messiahs* "annointed ones," if rendered by an English word, or Christians, if translated by a Greek root. The word "Messiah" in the singular number, is applied to every object or being consecrated set aside to the service of God, hence to the tabernacle, its vassals, its priests, to kings, Jewish or Heathens. They are all called *meshee chai* "annointed ones, or "Christians," either things or persons. See Leviticus iv: 3; 1 Samuel ii: 10, xii: 3, xiv: 6; 2 Samuel i: 14, xix: 21, xxii: 51. Cyrus, a heathen prince, is called *Messiah* annointed, Chrestos in Isaiah ivv: 1' "Thus says the Lord to his *Messiah*, to Cyrus &c." And Israel is called by that name in Psalms cv: 15, "He suffered no man to do them [Israel] wrong: yea, he reproved kings for their sake, saying, "Do not harm my Christians; annointed ones, *Meshee-ho-y*, nor my prophets," there, Israel are called the Christians, the annointed ones of the Lord. They, again, are called so in the first book of Chronicles xvi: 22 This name primarily applied to Israelites, was first borrowed by the followers of Jesus residing at Antioch, Acts xi: 26; xxvi: 28. After applying the word *Mashiah* to him whom they believed to have been promised to restore Israel, his glory and his kingdom (which has not been effected to this day.) They called his followers *Meshee-hai* or Christians, annointed ones, as they call the church "Israel," "Jerusalem;" but the Bible nowhere calls the Gentiles, but, as we have just shown, the Jews by that name, and in the Bible the name of my "*Christians*, my annointed ones," belong to the Jew, to the believer in one Unit, ever incorporeal God.

THE RIALTO AT VENICE.—The famous bridge at Venice, called the Rialto, is universally allowed to be one of the finest in Europe. It was built in the year 1591, from a design of the celebrated Michael Angelo, and is said to have cost 250,000 ducats. It consists of a single arch, all of marble; has rails on each side, and two rows of shops in the middle. The dimensions of thir bridge are as follows: the compass of the arch is exactly one third part of a circle; its width on the level of the water, from one extremity to the other, is 95 feet, and its height 24.

Demise of Mr. Robert Lyon, Editor of the "Asmonean."

The "Asmonean" of March 12th decked in mourning, reached us by the last steamer.

It therefore becomes our painful task to notice an event which here as elsewhere will have diffused a gloom, that will not for some time be removed.

Robert Lyon had been, at the time of his death, proprietor and editor of the "Asmonean" for *eight* years, and since 1853 assisted materially in the editing and publishing the 'New York *Mercantile* Journal."

While engaged in the routine of the laborious duties pertaining to the editorial life, he was suddenly seized with *paralysis*, at about 5 o'clock in the afternoon of March 10th. He became immediately speechless, and some three hours after he had been conveyed to his residence, his spirit winged its flight to that *home*—that house, *not* made by hands—*eternal* in the Heavens! There! and there only, will his soul find *peace* and *rest*.

He was born in London in the year 1810, and before he had attained the age of 18, he became connected with the Press, and thus early, his talents were displayed by the production of essays, published in several periodicals, and which attracted considerable notice. Some years thereafter he married, and was elected to the most responsible office in the gift of the great synagogue of London, and in 1840, on the occasion of Queen Victoria's marriage, he (with the baron De Goldschmidt) was delegated to present a congratulatory address to her Majesty in person, and which by reference to to the "Chronicle" of that period, will be noticed remarks, as to the *manner* in which it was presented and "so graciously received."

During 1844, he arrived in the city of New York, and engaged in a business of a mercantile nature, which did not prosper; for at the great fire in this city of May 1851, (and the sad occurrence and its scene still burns *vividly* upon the minds of many of our readers) he had the misfortune to lose a beloved brother, who having under his charge and entrusted to his care, a vast amount of property, sacrificed his life, by remaining therewith rather than desert his trust. Robert Lyon was thus a double loser, and he discontinued the business he was engaged in.

The want of a recognized medium, devoted to the Jewish cause, such as would diffuse information, and make the necessities and feelings of our co-religionists known to each other, was sensibly felt, and in October 1849, the Asmonean under the editorial management of Mr. Lyon made its appearance, and from that period till the present day, its utility and importance to the Israelites, has been a theme descanted upon by "our people" all over the world, and 'tis universally conceded, that for consistency of purpose, integrity of principles, and able defense of the Hebrew character, it has had no superior among its cotemporaries. As to the reputation of the Mercantile Journal, we can add nothing by herein expressing our humble opinion that could yield greater commercial lustre, than such which it has already been acknowledged to have possessed.

He was honored with the confidence of several of our great statesmen. Webster, Clay and Cass knew, appreciated and *eeteemed* him. Occupying a high position among the Press of New York, he was enabled to wield an influence in the cause of freedom and of mental and moral progress that will have a lasting effect.

In the "walks" of private life he was an exemplary husband and father, his tastes and habits were the perfect type of contentment and simplicity; in his friendships he was firm—in his enmities calm and forgiving—and, surrounded by a large circle of true friends and his beloved family, he breathed his last in the *springtime* of life—not having lived to see forty-eight autumns. An hour prior to his death, he said to his eldest son—a lad of fifteen years: "William, I fear you will have to toil very hard to support your mother, brothers and sisters."

He will be missed and mourned by many. The Jewish Press has been deprived of one of its ablest editors. If the expression of feelings of sympathy on the part of friends in even this

far-distant land, could serve to check the warm gushing tears of sorrow of his bereaved family, *then, indeed, would the solace avail*; but, alas! Time alone can heal such wounds, combined with a submission to the will of an All-wise Creator, and a patient and enduring *hope* to *meet* the departed in the *future world*:

It is proper to mention that the writer has been personally acquainted with the *deceased* for years; and, though possessing the heart and will to thus tender to his bereaved family, a proper tribute of respect, we feel ourself incompetent, being deprived of the assistance of the senior editor, now absent, to do full justice to the memory of this pre-eminent man.—Co-Editor.

Travelling in the Desert.

WANT OF WATER.

The story of Ishmael (gen xxi: 9) is full of interest, on account of the disastrous circumstances with which it opens, and of its exhibiting in the character and habits of that wayward youth, the germ of a mode of life still impressed on one of the most singular people in the world, the Arab of the desert. We first behold him in the situation of an outcast from his father's tent, and wandering in the neighbouring wilderness of Beersheba, overtaken by one of those disasters so common to those who attempt to explore the secrets of the desert. It is imposible to read the simple and graphic narrative of the sacred historian without emotions of the liveliest sympathy in behalf of the youthful sufferer, (whom a burning thirst was threatening with a premature and excruciating death,) and of the distracted mother, who, wrapped up in the fate of her son, appeared totally insensible to the misery of her own situation, alone and without hope in an inhospitable wild. But, perhaps, few are aware of the real extent of a calamity altogether unknown in a temperate climate, or can picture to themselves how severe must have been the privation that prostrated the spirit and energies of a youth of seventeen, whose hardy frame and intriped character soon after made him the first among the stiring spirits of the place. We are so accustomed to the influence of a sky tempered by the friendly interposition of clouds; to perpetual verdure smiling on the mountains and valleys; and to rivers diffusing their watery treasure by a thousand channels, and forming essential elements of every landscape, that we find it difficult to entertain the idea of a scene so fearfully wild as to be destitute of every one of these natural features, to conceive the dreadful state to which the want of them, especially the want of the common article of water, often reduces the unfortunate people who chance to be placed in a situation so unpropitious. This however, was precisely the character of the dreary solitude, whose want of resources had so nearly proved fatal to Ishmael. The wilderness of Beersheba or Shur, lying at the north-eastern extremity of the Red Sea, and forming the northern part of the great Arabian desert, is, according to the testimony of those who have crossed it, a vast expanse of uninhabited country, which, by the straightest route from north to south, cannot be traversed in less than about forty days; and it is so wild and desolate a region, that it seem to have been doomed by the Creator to the curse of perpetual sterility.

Throughout the whole extent of it not a blade of verdure is to be seen, nor voice of living thing to be heard; and but for a few hardy plants, the tamarind and the acacia, which, here and there striking their roots into the clefts of the rocks, and nourished by the dew of night, "waste their sweetness in the desert air," there would be nothing to dispel the feeling which this dismal scene strongly produces that here is a region where nature is wholly dead. Vain is the hope of the traveler, that, the first dreary spots being passed, his eye may yet rest on some oasis, his panting frame be refreshed under some grateful shade; and he may arrive at some stage, where the peopled city or village will remunerate his toils with the pleasure of society. From day to day, from morn to night, he prosecutes his irksome jouruey, while nothing is seen but the same tedious monotony—nothing but the frightful precipices, and the bright sand, which the fierce rays of a vertical sun are scorching.

To travel over the desert is always a perilous expedition, from its utter destitution of every thing that contributes to the support of life; and, notwithstanding the careful preparations that are made, and the custom of travelling in a large caravan which secures the benefit of mutual assistance, it is seldom that such a journey is made without accidents occurring, to distress one or other of the party. Of all the accidents to which these journeys are liable, that which is attended with the most disastrous effects, is the want of water. That element may be said to be in these regions the greatest necessary of life, and no idea can be formed by Europeans, of the vast quantity required, during a march over the desert, by a single person, whose palate is continually parched by the effects of the fiery atmosphere and ground, and whose food, consisting of prepartions of flour and butter, is calculated to excite thirst in the greatest degree. "The usual computation is, that about twenty pounds, [about 2½ gallons] of water are required for the daily consumption of a man. To drink four or five times a day is considered a scanty allowance—few drink less than six or seven times—and when the south wind is blowing—no quantity of water is sufficient to keep the mouth moist—and an appeal to the *Girbah* is made every quarter of an hour." To guard against such exigencies, the first care of every traveller is to provide himself with a plentiful supply of the necessary fluid, and, as the knowledge of wells must always be of primary importance in a region where water is so essential to the maintenance of life, the route is invariably determined by the situation of such places of refreshment, a deviation to which from the line of march, even although it be long and circuitous, is little thought of in comparison of procuring this rare and inestimable treasure. But, between the traveler and that cup of blessedness, many obstacles often unexpectedly intervene—the springs are generally but few and scanty all over the the desert, in that part of it especially where Ishmael wandered. A traveller who crossed it, found only four in the space of a hundred and fifteen miles, situated at the distance of four, six, and even eight days' journey from each other. Besides there is the danger of missing them, in a trackless solitude, but particularly in the wilderness of Paran, which, in many places, is full of rugged and precipitous cliffs, around the base of which the traveller has to seek his way. It may happen, that after the greatest exertions have been made to reach these springs, they are found entirely choked with the moving sand, or that they prove to the mortification of the luckless traveller, so impregnated with *brackish* qualities, from the beds of sulphur or salt over which they roll, as to increase, instead of allaying his already insufferable thirst. And then follows a scene of the most dreadful and protracted sufferings which a human being can experienc The burning thirst, rendered more violent by the fierce heat of the glowing firmament and the fiery sand, produces an intense agony in every part of the frame. The dry and contracted feeling of the skin, the eyes appearing like balls of coagulated blood, the unnatural swelling and hardness of the tongue and lips the increasing difficulty of seeing and hearing, the total loss of speech, together with the most painful sensation in the throat, all these. which are invariable consequences of unalleviated thirst, indicate a universal derangemant of the bodily system; produce languor and insensibility—and at last bring the unhappy sufferer, after many a struggle, to drop on the ground, happy if, like Ishmael—he can purchase a brief respite from his misery, by sheltering his scorched head under one of the dwarfish acacias that are strewed around. In such circumstances, it is said that five hundred dollars have been given for a draught of water. But, in general, where one is placed in such extremities, all who are with him are more or less in a similar state of distress—and then no bribe, however great—no entreaties, however importunate, can produce a single drop—for of what use would all the wealth of the Indies be, in a place where death would be the inevitable consequence of parting with the precious beverage? The master of a whole caravan is then no more privileged than the meanest of his slaves—and as the desire of self-preservation triumphs over every consideration—when one drops, the victim of thirst—his companions, however they may commiserate the sufferer, are obliged to pass on without delay—and abandon him to his fate.

Ancient Mechanism.—It is a well authenticated fact that some of the building stones of the ancient Balbec are at least sixty feet long, twenty broad, and fifteen feet thick. It is equally well known that these immense blocks of stone have been moved a considerable distance from the place where they were quarried.—The blocks weigh about 1200 tons each, and are probably the most prodigious masses of rock ever moved by mechanical appliances. None such are now known which would be adequate to the handling of such immense weights. Who were the people or what were the appliances by which these blocks were piled up, is a matter of speculation. Perhaps there were giants in those days, or arts and principles known only to the builders of Balbec.

Silkworm.—It is stated, that one line of silkworm, when unwound, measnred 404 yards, and, when dry, weighed three grains. Hence it follows, that one pound of the thread, as spun by the worm, may be extended into a line 535 miles long, and that a thread which would encompass the earth, would weigh no more than forty-seven-pounds.

SUMMARY OF NEWS.

H. H. Moore, Librarian of the Mercantile Library Association, has just made his Report for March. There were 265 more books taken from the Library than the month preceding. During the month there were 106 volumes added to the Library, 92 of which were purchased and 14 presented. Six new members have joined the Association.

Dr. W. S. Toby was found dead near Rattlesnake, Placer county, on the 2d instant.

The experiments made with the steam wagon, at Sacramento, during the past week, are said to have proved unsatisfactory.

The negro boy, Archy, about whom there has been considerable excitemnet, has been discharged by the U. S. Commissioner, and is now *free*.

The recent discovery of rich Gold Diggings in Washington Territory and in the adjoining British possessions, is confirmed and thousands are rushing for the new El Dorado.

W. T. Johnson was killed at Yankee Jim's, on the 9th, by the caving of a bank.

Thos. Forsyth, lately employed on the steamer Panama, was found dead on Folsom-street wharf on Wednesday morning last.

A little son of Nicholas Smith fell into the Sacramento river, on the Yolo side, on Tuesday, and was drowned.

The State Treasurer reports the sum of $316,019 76 in the Treasury at the close of business, on the 12th inst.

A paper called the Sacramento Valley Yeoman has been started at Tehama, by Snyder & Stiles.

An attempt was made on Wednesday night to fire the new churh edifice now in course of completion, on Stockton-street, in this city.

I. S. Butler has purchased the entire interest of B. Butler in the Red Bluffs Beacon.

The amount of receipts of the Mechanics' Fair, held in this city, in September last, amounted to $22,347 68. The expenditure was 17,969 20.

Great Fire.—A fire broke out in Forest City, on Saturday night obout 12 o'clock, in the house of John Lanning, situated in the lower portion of the town. The fire spread rapidly, and resulted in the entire destruction of the buisness part of the town—both sides of Main street from the bridge, across Oregon creek to Loring's livery stable on one side, and the dwelling house of Owen Mc Donald on the other.

The loss is estimated at $175,000. Among the list of sufferers we find the following.

A. Fleishaker, $5000; Jacob Harris, $8000; Fred. Miller, $6000; Jacob. Miller, $3000; Mr. Alexander, $2000; Rosenthal & Rosenbaun, $3500; Mr. Strauss, $1500; and many more losses were sustained. The fire burning up hill, made very rapid progress. Most of the provisions were destroyed. All that was saved was in cellers, several of which withstood the fire. Many persons were left without clothing, and most of all without shelter. Citizens who were fortunate enough to have their habitation saved, generously threw open their doors to the accommodation of all.

A dispatch to the *Visitor* states that the citizens of Downeville have forwarded to the relief of the Forest City sufferers the sum of $600.

H. Y. M. Literary Association.—The Sixth Election of Officers which took place on the 11th inst., resulted as follows:—

President: Leopold Cahn; Vice President. A. Hoffman; Secretary, Abm. Newberger; Financial Secretary, Wm. Friedlander; Treasurer, Seixas Solomons; D. Cohen, Librarian; M. Elgutter, E. Levy and Julius Blumenthal, Trustees.

The Officers will be duly installed next Sunday evening, by S. Solomons, late President, prior to which a Lecture will be delivered by the Rev. H. A. Henry, as will be noticed by reference to column of Special Notices. 1t*

Melodeon.—An immense audience always attends the *recherche* Performances of this band of sweet singers, every evening. The California Minstrels are deserving the public approbation—being composed of those possessed of true musical talent. The comical Johnson perpetrated the following "smashing" Conundrum the other night, and "did'nt leave town," but will be *thar*, as usual!—

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Lyceum.—Short and lively pieces are the order of the day at this establishment, and we judge from the crowds nightly visiting there that this course is found to pay. An excellent bill is posted for the performance Tomorrow Afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

☞ We have received the April number of the "Pacific Medical and Surgical Journal." It contains several original articles and much excellent selected matter.

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☞ Have you regaled yourself by enjoying one of the Choice Cigars of the brands received by Kozminsky, at his Cigar Depot, in Patten's Exchange? See advertisement on the 3d page. 1t*

☞ We are indebted to the Hon. J. C. McKibben for the receipt of Public Documents.

☞ Messrs. Nichols & Co. have placed us under obligations for a full file of late papers.

Receipts.—We acknowledge, with thanks, remittances from Messrs. Simon, Monte Cristo; L. Popper & Co., Rattlesnake Bar; W. S. H., H. J. L., D. H., Yankee Jim's, and H. Mitchell, of Visalia.

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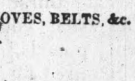

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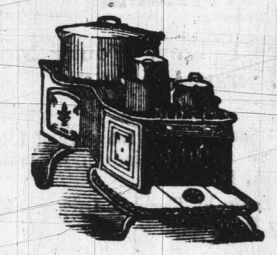

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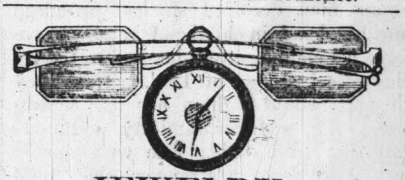

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HISTORICAL.

Joan of Arc.

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It is asserted by some, that Joan was a servant in a road-side inn, and tended the horses and the guests, in the capacity an hostler, and that she rode them to the watering-places, thus acquiring great skill in horsemanship. These facts are not well authenticated, however, and they certainly are not in keeping with the gentleness, modesty, and delicacy of her character, except we take in consideration the age in which she lived. It is related by others, that she tended her father's flocks, and herds while they grazed on the mountain side, a not improbable occupation and a very common one in the valley of the Meuse. Here upon the slope, she rested the livelong day, watching the grazing herds, and looking down upon the picturesque valley, bordered with a vast forest, its green meadows, luxuriant vineyards, the river with its wooded banks, and her own loved hamlet in the midst, invoking good spirits to guard it against the ravages of war, nor let the clash and din of weapons echo among the blue hills that shut in the peaceful valley. But the occasional traveller brought tidings of unjust and murderous deeds, and, as Joan's spirit began to break away from the enfoldings of childhood, her lonely day-watches were occupied with burning thoughts of her countries wrongs; she longed to pass beyond the hills where she was born, and mingle in the mortal strife. Her pale cheek crimsoned when she heard the story of helpless women falling beneath the battle-axe, and children driven forth to suffer the horrors of famine, that their cries might intimidate the stout hearts of their fathers, and make them yield their strongholds.

And when, at last, a troop of fierce soldiers came with victorious shouts along the Meuse, to the very heart of the sacred valley, and Joan and the humble household had to flee for safety, then the martial spirit pervaded her being and was henceforth inseparable from the religious fervor that actuated her in freeing France from her enemies. The fugitives returned to the unobtrusive village and found the beloved chapel in ruins. This wanton destruction of her favorite and holy resort, awakened a new feeling of heroism in Joan which, with unfixed purpose, only awaited events which should direct her.

In the vicinity of Domremy was an old tree, whose immense, thickly-foliaged branches overspread a wide green sward. It had stood through many generations, and legend upon legend hallowed its remembrances. To the young people it was known as "the tree of the Ladies," and "Beauty of May," and tradition said the fairies used to meet and converse with brave knights, who, in later times, had become so wicked, that the sprites refused to appear to any but the good and virtuous. These forms Joan thought to have seen, and their voices whispered mysterious things to her. Near by was also a fountain, called the "Fountain of the Fairies," and here the young girl lingered for hours, till she saw the misty waters take shape and beheld the holy features of St. Margaret or St. Catherine, beaming kindly upon her, and heard them in a low, soft voice call her "the restorer of France," and felt them affectionately embracing her.

This she related to her parents and the village maidens, but it only excited their derision, since none of them were equally fortunate. She solemnly chided them for their unbelief, for she evidently had faith in these visions—her mind dwelling constantly upon one theme.

After the intelligence of the marvellous success of the English, and the retreat of Charles VII. beyond the Loire, had become the theme of every cottage door or fireside, Joan's visions became more vivid, and in her daily visits to the fountain she discovered the mission which the angels had devolved upon her. St. Michael, the "archangel of battles and of judgments," appeared in the midst of a dazzling light, saying "Jeanne, go to the succor of the King of France, and thou shalt restore his kingdom to him. St. Marguerite and St. Catherine will be thy aids." A host of angels in white, wearing crowns, and speaking in soft voices, followed the appearance of St. Michael; and when they had all disappeared the timid girl wept abundantly, wishing they had taken her with them.

Several years had passed in this way, confirming Joan's belief in tnese messages and commands from God, as she denominated them. She obeyed the voices which directed her to attend church faithfully and perform all her duties. She was known to all the villagers in her pious and charitable acts, and her youthful friend Haumette assured her companions that Joan was a good, simple girl, and always talked of God and the angels. She entered maidenhood, pure and beautiful, the impress of her unsullied thoughts stamped upon her pale calm face full of childish innocence, yet adorning a mind of rare sense and shrewdness.

Both her mother and father reproved her firm belief in the mission that had been given her, and, with alarm, found her already practising military exercises, mounted upon a horse and tilting her lance against trees, as if in knightly combat. Her father declared that, rather than see his daughter among men-at arms, he would drown her with his own hands. Hoping to divert her from her wild, unwomanly schemes, her parents used their authority to secure her marriage. A young man declared she had promised him her hand in childhood, and, to enforce his claims, cited her before the ecclesiastical Judge of Toul. This they thought would frighten her into acceptance, since, with her timidity and modesty that suffused her face with blushes at a word from a stranger, she could never summon courage to defend herself. To their surprise, she appeared in court, and declared the falsity of the charge.

A visit from an uncle at length secured an opportunity for her to execute her purpose. He was convinced of her divine mission, and promised to take her to Robert de Baudricourt, captain of Vaucouleurs, to whom St. Michael had directed her for aid. Bidding farewell to her beloved home, her cherished mother, and dear companion Haumette, she journeyed with her uncle to Vaucouleur, in her simple peasant's custome, a coarse red dress and little close white cap. They arrived in the busy streets of that city, where all was new, stirring life, to the young girl who had never before wandered beyond the hills that encircled her home. They sought the dwelling of an hospitable wheelwright, whose wife was captivated with the gentleness and beauty of the strangely commissioned maiden.

Joan's uncle had previously obtained an interview with Baudricourt, giving an account of her and asking the aid she desired, to which the blunt soldier replied, "Give her a good whipping and take her back to her father." Nothing daunted by this scorn of her pretensions, she succeeded in obtaining admittance to the castle, and soon stood in the presence of the hardy captain. Speaking in a firm tone, she told him "she came from her Lord, to succor the king, and that she would raise the siege of Orleans, and bring King Charles to Rheims to be crowned." The captain, struck with her appearance and astonished at her words, believed her possessed with a devil, and sent immediately for the *cure*. Upon entering her presence, the frightened priest exhibited his stole or scarf, and commanded the evil spirits to depart, if they guided her. She simply smiled upon him, and conversed with so much honesty and unaffected simplicity, that the *cure* himself was bewildered. The news that the prophecy which was current long before that period, that a a Pucelle of the marches of Lorraine who was to save the realm, was about to be accomplished, and that the Maid had actually appeared, threw all Vaucouleurs in commotion. Crowds hastened to see ner and hear her words, and all were equally vehement in their admiration, and confident of her saintly commission. Several of the nobility were won over to her cause, and promised to conduct her to the king, for she assured them that "no one in the world, nor kings, nor dukes, nor daughter of the King of Scotland, could recover France but herself, and that it was her Lord's will she should do it," urging them to hasten, for she must be at Orleans before Mid-Lent.

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BIRTHS.

In this city, April 9th, the wife of Ulrich Simon of a son.

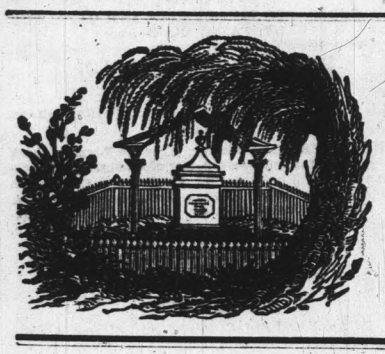
MARRIAGES.

In this city, April 11, S. Ahrents, of Stockton, to Miss H. Heilborn, of San Francisco.

In this city. April 11, K. Rosenberg to Miss Amilie Guthaym.

In this city, April 12, Mr. Bernhard Mayer, of Sonora, to Miss Clara Sternheimer, of San Francisco.

In this city, April 15th, Mr. Joseph Bernhard, of Sacramento, to Miss Adelia Levinson, of San Francisco.



DEATHS.

In New York, March 10th, Robert Lyon, aged 48 years, formerly of England.

The deceased was for several years last past Editor of the *Asmonean*, a weekly family journal, devoted to the interests of American Israelites; also, co-editor of the New York Mercantile Journal:

"May his soul rest in peace."

At Monte Cristo, Sierra county, Isaac Perrine, aged 32, formerly of England.

At Fillmore City, U. T., Jacob Lewison, aged 27, formerly of Louisiana.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Programme of Exercises Hebrew Young Men's Literary Association.

APRIL 18.—Lecture: The Influence of Literature on Life and Mankind in General, by Rev. H. A. Henry.

Original Essay, by Theodore Labatt. Recitation, by D. Cohn.

Exercises will commence at 7 o'clock.

After the Lecture, by Rev. H. A. Henry, the ceremony of Installing the newly-elected Officers will take place.

Subscribers and friends can obtain Admission Cards upon application prior to the morning of the 18th.

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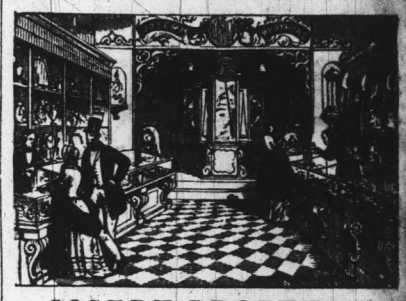

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